

DEMOCRATS ARE AT SEA

Can't Figure Out What Will Happen to Their Organization in the Nation.

RADICALS HOLD TOP HAND

Democratic Loss in This County Was 53 Per Cent, While Republican Gain Was 5 Per Cent.

"What will become of us?"

The 212 democrats who voted for Parker in this city on Tuesday are asking each other this question. The awfulness of defeat has been bad enough, goodness knows, but worse even than that is this anxiety as to their future condition of political servitude.

"It's a dreadful thing to be a democrat—on an occasion of this kind," remarked one of the old guard yesterday; "but I want to know what is to become of us? Who are we, anyway? Nothing like this has ever before happened anyone or any party. Our future—what will it be?"

The democrats are wondering; the mental strain is acute. The other fellows have delivered them a solar plexus blow that has knocked them in a fit. Even the republicans are sorry for the straight-outs and apologize for swiping Missouri. The democrats are utterly demoralized.

The disaffection in this city and state has been remarkable. It is estimated that more than 22,000 democrats refused to vote on Tuesday in Oregon. The conservatives, it will be remembered, dominated the state democratic convention. At that time bitterness was manifested, and it was not difficult to ascertain that the radicals meant to bolt. But the most pronounced pessimist little dreamed the disaffection would become so general. Clatsop county has been no exception in the state, for everywhere democrats stayed away from the polls, or else cast their ballots for Roosevelt.

Analysis of the vote is interesting. Since 1900 the population of the county has been greatly increased, and the vote this year should have been much greater. The registration was 2889, but it is estimated that not quite two-thirds of the voters went to the polls. The republican vote in 1900 was 1329, while this year it was 1399—a gain of only 70. This increase is not in keeping with the increase in population, so the republicans have not made any surprising gains here. They polled a fairly full vote.

In 1900 Bryan received 688 votes in the county and two years later Bonham, democratic candidate for supreme judge, received 717. In the county there used to be 75 democrats. But Parker's vote was only 336, a loss of 381 as compared with the vote for Bonham. The republican gain was about 5 per cent, while the democratic loss was more than 53 per cent. This democratic loss can not well be attributed to apathy; it was little short of political murder. Considering the increased possible vote, some 450 or 500 democrats stayed away from the polls.

Interest centers in the plan advanced for reorganization of the democracy. The election, in this city as well as in the nation, has made it plain that radi-

icals and conservatives will not mix and that the two wings are hopelessly apart. It is considered extremely doubtful that a plan of reorganization can be effected which will be satisfactory to both elements. The conservatives will never consent to affiliate with the populists, and this is deemed necessary by the radicals to future success. Of course, every one realizes that there will be two great parties, but the reconstruction period will, in the opinion of Astoria democrats, put the conservatives out of commission or into the republican party.

The Official Count.

The official count of votes was made yesterday by County Clerk Clinton, Auditor Anderson and Justice Goodman. It shows that Roosevelt's plurality in Clatsop county was 1063 and that he carried very precinct in the county. The vote for the republican electors was as follows:

G. R. Dimmick 1403
James A. Fee 1407
J. N. Hart 1399
A. C. Hough 1386
Average—1399.

The vote for the democratic electors was as follows:

Thomas H. Crawford 334
W. B. Dillard 336
Walter S. Hamilton 339
James A. Jeffrey 337
Average—336.

The vote for the socialist electors was as follows:

C. W. Brazee 284
William Beard 259
J. C. Herrington 256
S. H. Holt 250
Average—253.

The vote for the prohibition electors was:

I. H. Amos 39
Leslie Butler 41
W. P. Elmore 40
T. S. McDaniel 40
Average—40.

The vote for the populist electors was:

J. L. Hill 10
L. H. McMahan 9
P. E. Phelps 8
C. F. Schmittlein 9
Average—9.

The total vote of the county has not yet been computed.

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SHORTAGE IN COAST PACK

Output of Pacific Canneries for Season of 1904 Shows Remarkable Deficit.

INCREASE ON THE COLUMBIA

Pack Here 43,520 Cases Ahead of Last Year, While the Entire Coast Shortage Is 578,244 Cases.

The salmon pack of the Pacific coast compiled from statements complete to October 15 will show a shortage of 578,244 cases, including all varieties. Columbia river, Fraser river and the Sacramento are the only districts showing an increase, and this is said to be due entirely to the fact that the open season was extended on the Columbia after October 15, the date set by law, to an indefinite period. Now, however, the canneries have practically ceased operations here.

The total pack for 1904 is given at 2,822,093, of which 2,052,739 cases are from the Alaska districts, and 729,951 from Puget sound, the Skeena and Fraser rivers, the Columbia river and outside rivers.

A large run of fish that appeared in the Fraser river helped out that district considerably. Earlier in the year the labor troubles had practically tied up operations, and it was feared for a time that this disagreement between employers and employees would result most disastrously. In seasonable time both sides made concessions, and every effort was put forth to make up for the lost time.

The Puget sound pack, covering sockeyes only, amounts to 114,471 cases, as against 166,569 cases last year. The run of pinks was very light, and the run of silver so far has also been disappointing.

The total figures for the Fraser canneries for 1904 amount to 62,743 cases, as against 294,849 cases in 1903. The run of silvers in that district has been very light.

The coast canneries had a light pack, and the general reports are of low rivers and few fish. In Grays harbor, for instance, the run is not more than 25 per cent of what it was last year, according to the Pacific Fisherman.

Discussion is already rife as to the run of fish that is expected next year, and it is safe to say that when the run does appear there will not be an idle plant. Of course, it is the "fourth" or "big" year, when the largest packs are made, and plenty of fish are said to have reached the spawning grounds. The Chinese contractors have already engaged their Chinese help for the sound canneries, and have been guaranteed 250,000 cases.

The closed season in British Columbia waters was very well observed, perhaps the better from the fact that

the fisheries guardians were extremely vigilant. But the fishermen are generally said to have recognized the necessity for protecting the salmon, and only touched the spring salmon, which was permitted by law. After September 15 the use of the smaller-mesh nets was again legal, and as the run of cohoes commenced about that time, there were really no hardships worked upon any one.

On the Fraser the coho pack was very fair, but the British Columbia Packers' Association operated only one of its coho plants, the Imperial. Some fishing camps were also maintained on Toho inlet, in northern waters, and the fish brought to the Fraser for packing. This year the salmon pack of British Columbia will be transported to the old country by steamer, under agreement with the Alfred Holt Company, operating the China Mutual and Blue Funnel liners.

There has been no difficulty in maintaining prices uniformly on the coast, for the decreased pack made the visible supply so small in the world's markets, and the demand in the old country has been so steady, that prices really maintained themselves. To prevent price-cutting next year in British Columbia, which is anticipated with a larger output, a mutual agreement has been signed by all the British Columbia packers.

The total pack on the Columbia river aggregated 376,590 cases, against 332,980 for 1903, an increase of 43,520 cases. Alaska's total, on the other hand, notes a decrease of 148,653 cases, the total this year being only 2,052,739 cases, compared with 2,201,394 cases last year.

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